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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT MAY REMOVE POLL TAX NOW COLLECTED

Cumbersome Method of Collecting Taxes Responsible for Unnecessary Abuse of Laws

CHARLEROI LOSES MONEY

Borough and School District Suffers to Extent of About $50,000 in Ten Years From Exonerations

If one of the proposed constitutional amendments which was introduced at the last session of the Legislature is passed by the coming session the payment of taxes as a qualification to vote will be removed. As the constitutional requirements now stand an elector in addition to citizenship and residence qualifications, must have within two years paid a State or county tax ot enable him to vote at an election in this State. The proposed amendment if it passes, will do away with the payment of taxes as a voting qualification and all that will be necessary is to estimate a qualification of citizenship and residence. This will in effect abolish what is known as the poll tax.

While this amendment, should it pass, will remove the payment of taxes as a voting qualification, it will not relieve the elector from the payment of taxes. The object of the amendment is to remove an abuse of the electorate franchise which has grown to large proportions, as well as an obstacle to the conduct of legal elections and a more strict compliance with the regulations. In no other instance, perhaps, are the election laws more persistently violated in Pennsylvania than by a failure to comply with the payment of taxes as a qualification to vote. In most instances these violations are involuntary, and many a voter commits a crime by voting when his taxes are unpaid who is not aware that has laid himself liable to fine or imprisonment.

The fault is in the system of collecting taxes and not through intent to violate the election laws by the voter The constitution requires that to qualify an elector to vote he must have paid a State and county tax within two years. This tax in most instances is not collected by the regular local tax collector, and many property owners who pay local taxes are under the ipmression that they have paid all their taxes when they settle with the local collector. The election boards have no means of knowing whether each voter has paid a State or county tax, and unless each one is challenged and made to produce a tax receipt or swear in his vote, there is no way of overcoming this difficulty. To challenge every voter is impractical and against all custom, and many illegal votes are cast unwittingly by citizens who have paid their local taaxes but not their State or county tax.

One of the abuses that has grown out of this qualification is the payment of these taxes by political organizations. In every district are many non-property owners who pay no attention to their voting qualifications. It became the custom for politcans to collect these names, pay the taxes and with a receipt go after the voter on election day. Soon this class of voters depended upon the politicans to keep them qualified, and funds were collected each campaign for this purpose notwithstanding laws enacted against the practice. As a rule the politicans did not desire to do this, but when it was apparent that by the expenditure of $40 a hundred voters could be lined up, the temptation was usually too strong to be resisted. This was debasing to the civic spirit, and resulted wherever practiced in lowering the standard of citizenship.

While this amendment is designed to remove abuses relating to the election laws, it does not remove the real source of the abuses, even though it does remove the result in so far as the elections are concerned. The real cause of the abuse is the cumbersome method of collecting taxes after they have been assessed. Had there been any means for enforcing the collection of taxes as soon as they were assessed, the abuses of the voters' qualifications would not have developed. The law making the time limit 18 months before the payment of taxes can be enforced is responsible for all the evils that have risen. This fatal defect not only prompted politicians to buy citizenship for electors and debase their standard of citizenship and encourage illegal voting, but it deprives townships, boroughs and cities of thousands of dollars of taxes, the payment of which is evaded by a large class of non-property owning citizens who gravidate from place to place. These may be assessed in one district but as the collector cannot enforce payment until 18 months have elpased, the taxpayer may have disappeared entirely from the district. In the meantime he enjoys all the school privileges and civic advantages of the community and does not contribute one cent to their support This is the class which usually seek to vote illegally and which have taxes paid for them by the politicians, when they are paid at all.

As a result of this method the borough and school district of Charleroi are probably out $50,000 jointly in taxes justly due and not paid during the past ten years. This was evidenced at a recent meeting of council when the tax collector asked for exonerations for taxes assessed to 1,007 persons. This is considered an average, and will probably hold good for the past ten years at least, and the next three or four years. This means that if the borough had the $25,000 these delinquents did not pay it would be equivalent to $75,000 for paving purposes, as property holders pay two thirds of the cost, and this amount would have sufficed to pave 25 squares.

If the school board had the delinquent $25,000 it could have liquidated that amount of school bonds or built a new school house entire.

Washington has encountered the same difficulty, and recently the council of the county seat was called upon to exonerate over 2,000 persons who had been assessed, but whom the tax collector could not find or collect their taxes. This inflicts upon the county seat a loss equivalent to twice that inflicted upon Charleroi by the inability to collect taxes when they are assessed.

Councilman Chas. O. Frye, who has given the matter much thought, is of the opinion that this condition could be removed by a law compelling the collection of taxes at the time they are assessed. Such a law would authorize the assessor to call for the payment of the tax when he made the assessment and when he had the taxable located, and then, if the tax were not paid within a short time, say 30 days, the collector could invoke the aid of the constable to secure

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SECTION FORMAN CETS A REWARD

A. J. Weight Wins Acknowledgement by Well Kept Tracks

A. J. Weight, foreman of the Charleroi section, had the honor of winning the prize money of $50 for the best kept tracks and the greatest improvements during the past year on the Monongahela division P R. R. The prize is offered annually and presented during the holiday season. Superintendent A. G. Mitchell made the presentation.

INJUNCTION IS GRANTED

Glass Company Restrained from Using Certain Process

MACBETH EVANS CLAIMS

The Macbeth Evans Glass company has been granted a preliminary injunction against Harry Schnelbach and the Jefferson Glass company to restrain them from making use of an alleged secret process of glass making used by plaintiff company. The injucntion was secured in Pittsburg. Harry Schnelbcah is the former general superintendent of the Macbeth-Evans Glass company but the first of this year resigned his position to start a factory at Follanbsee, W. Va., in company with another well-known glass man.

SANTA CLAUS GIVES CANDY TO CHILDREN

For the fourth time since he embarked in busines Adolph Beigel of the Sample Shoe Store has caused Santa Claus to distribute candy to the children at his store at 502 Fallowfield avenue. Although the vernerable Saint was announced to make his appearance at 3:30 o'clock for the first time yesterday afternoon, crowds of children swarmed about the premises shortly after noon, and it would have taken the Pied Piper of Hamlin to have dispersed them. Santa appeared on schedule time and distributed 800 boxes of candy among those present. Complaints were made about the children blockading the sidewalks and Adolph was cited to appear at the burgess' office last evening, but no action was taken, and Santa will appear and distribute candy at the store every day until Christmas.

In a handsomely decorated auto Santa Claus also deilvered shoes for Adolph to patrons in and out of town. The machine is handsomely decroated with red and green vines, the work of Joseph Haube, the florist.

Notice

Sealed bids will be received by Borough Clerk for 500 feet of 2 1-2 fire hose, all bids to be in on or before January 2, 1911. Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Ira L. Nickeson,
Borough Clerk.

Charleroi, December 19, 1910 112t2

Lost

Ladies' gold watch engraved on back, D. T. K. Leather fob with K. of C. charm. Finder return to Star Theatre and recevie reward. 1123t

Boys Shirts, Coat Sweaters, Suits and Overcoats. Stylish apparel for the little fellows—same as Dad wears. Murdock and McCarty—511 McKean avenue. 110t8

OFFICERS PUT STOP TO WORK

Telephone Construction Stopped at Belle Vernon

CLAIM BOND NOT APPROVED

Effort Was Being Made to Have Service Installed by First of Year

Claiming that the bond of the Independent Telephon- construction company had not been approved, the Belle Vernon police this morning stopped the work at Belle Vernon on the construction of a new line which was started there Monday. Action was taken at the instance of the Belle Verno council.

Over a year ago a franchise was granted to the Telephone Construction company to build a new line in Belle Vernon and to establish service there. A bond was subsequently filed but according to the statement of municipal authorites was never approved. Under the impression that evertyhing had been done that was necessary, work was begun by the Constrcution company Monday.

According to the ordinance the franchise expires January 8 unless the service is in operation by that time. Consqeuenly everything possible was being done to rush the work to completion. What action will follow now is a question.

SUNKEN STEAMER IS FLOATED AT RICES LANDING

Braddock will be Overhauled and Put in Commission By Owners

The steamer Braddock of the American Steel and Wire company, which sunk at Lock No. 6 over a week ago, was floated yesterday The boat was found to be in fair conditon. It will be thoroughly overhauled and placed in commission again.

FACTORY TO CLOSE FOR ONLY ONE DAY

The Macbeth-Evans Glass plant here will be closed for only one day for Christmas, owing to the rush of trade. This will be on Monday, the day after Christmas. Good conditions prervail at the factry.

With the New York Sun

Robert Mountsier, son of A. R Mountsier, of McKean avenue, who lately returned from a trip to Europe, now has a position with the New York Sun, one of the large metropolitan newpapers. Robert is doing reporting and special work.

Have You Seen the Handkerchiefs at Kirk and Clark's.

Rare values in all linen and Shamrock lawn at 10, 15, 25 and 50 cents, all our own importation- they are prettier than any we have ever offered and that is saying a good deal. Fine line of children's, women's and men's all linen, also initial handkerchiefs here. Kirk and Clark. 112t2

Children, this is Santa Claus headquarters, all the toys at Woodward's are new, no old stock—421 McKean avenue. 112t

Handsome Buffets to complete your dining room at Woodward's, 421 McKean avenue. 112tf

Genuine Natural Holly in wreaths and loose at Haube's, 428 Fallowfield avenue. D-24

CHARLEROI TEACHERS WILL ATTEND STATE CONVENTION

Educational Meeting at Harrisburgt An Event Next Week

BIG LOCAL DELEGATION

Supt. Pentz and Party of Twelve Will Represent This School District

Twelve teachers of the Charleroi schools and Superintendent James G. Pentz will represent this district at the annual convention of the State Educational association at Harrisburg five days of next week beginning Monday and lasting till Friday. The convention promises to be one of the most interesting and instructive ever held. The Charleroi representatives will be the largest along the valley.

Among the prominent educatars who will attend the convention and speak will be Cheeseman A Herrick, president of Girard college; Prof. Paul H Hanus of Harrisburg University; Martin G. Brumbaugh, superintendent of the Philadelphia schools; Fred L. Keeler, deputy State superintendent of Michigan; Samuel Hamilton, superintendent of the Allegheny county schools; Prof. Henry Suzzalo, of the Teacher's college, New York city and Dr. Isaac C. Ketler, president of Grove City college.

One of the most important matters to come up for discussion will be the proposed new school code for the State of Pennsylvania, which was framed voluntarily by the old school code commiss on after the code of 1909 had been beaten about by the State Legislature until it was in such shape that Gov. E. Stuart vetoed it.

The teachers who will go from Charleroi, besides Supt. Pentz, will be Misses Florence Montgomery, Mary Kelley, Jean Hawthtorne, Elizabeth Wyatt, Harriet Wagner, Fannie Arrison, Nellie Lee, Etta M. Work, Ella Greenwood, Mary Walters, and Messrs. D. C. Williard and W. A. L Swick.

SUFFERS FROM SEVERE STROKE

Senior Head of Berryman Firm is a Victim of Paralysis

J. W. Berrmyan, the head of the firm of J. W. Berryman and Son, the large dry goods merchans of Charleroi is suffering from a stroke of paralysis of his right side, which occurred Sunday. Mr. Berryman is in a bad shape but his friends hope for his recovery. His son J D. Berryman is also seriously ill of neuralgia.

PROPERTY OWNERS IN CHARLEROI

Thirteen Hundred Persons Possess Real Estate

Real estate in Charleroi borough is owned by 1,325 persons, according to a count made from the borough assessment books this morning by Borough Clerk Ira L. Nickeson. Ownership of lots ranges any place from one up to 100 and even more, with M. J. Alexander the biggest lot holder, who possesses over 100 lots in the hill district. The McKeans are also heavy owners of property.

There are 1,527 personal taxables in the boorugh. This is about one-sixth of the entire population.

ASSESSOR MAKING HIS RETURNS TODAY

Allen S. Mansfield, assessor for the borough of Charleroi, yesterday completed the tallying of his return assessmet sheets and today took them to Washington to the county commissioner's office. It is stated that there are few important changes from last year's assessement.

Ignach Lach

Ignach Lach, 33 years old, a well-known Slavok resident of Charleroi, died yesterday morning at 10 o'clcok at his home on Tenth street of pneumonia. The funeral will be held Wednesday from St. Cyril and Methodius church, the services to be conducted by Rev. Charles Trefny, and interment will be in Calvary cemetery. Lach's widow and several children survive.

Ship by Express

Christmas package, all sizes handled promptly by Adams Express Co., to all part of the world. Jesse Waggoner, Agent. 110t3

Gifts for men—Neckwear, shirts, hoisery, gloves, hats, overcoats, in the very latest designs and colors. Murdock and McCarty—511 McKean. 108tf

LADY MINSTRELS AT STAR THEATRE

The Lady Minstrels, an aggregation of talented women stars, are the featuring attractions at the Star Theatre this week. In the troupe the Cox Family Quintet is featured, composing Miss Violet, Miss Josie, Miss Mildred, Miss Julia, Master James, Prof. J. and Baby Cox. A fine repertoire of comicalities will be rendered.

Auction Sale

On Wednesday afternoon, Decembe 21, there will be an auction sale of furniture and household articles on the premises of the Tener home on Crest avenue. Sale commences at 1:30 o'clock p. m.

A Big Doll for the Little Girl

We imported an usually large stock of big dolls this year in the kid body—some have real hair eye lashes and eye brows—others are full jointed. Fine selection at less than city prices from $1.75 to $6.00 for the big ones—20c up for the little ones. Kirk and Clark. 112t2

J. K. Tener, Pres. S. A. Walton, Vice Pres. R. H. Rush, Cashier.

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Dec. 20 in American History.

1813—Samuel Jordan Kirkwood, statesman and famous war governor of Iowa, born; died 1894.

1860—South Carolina adopted the ordinance of secession.

1908—Major Orlando Jay Smith, Federal veteran of the civil war, editor and philosophical writer, founder of the American Press Association, died at Dobbs Ferry, N. Y.; born 1842.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

(From noon today to noon tomorrow.) Sun sets 4:32, rises 7:17; moon rises 9:21 p. m.; planet Mercury visible; 6:54 a. m., moon at greatest libration west; sun's declination, 23 degrees 26 minutes, south of celestial equator.

Petty Extortion.

When the people begin to realize that the high cost of living is due more to conditions near at home than to the custom houses at sea ports, the packing houses of the meat trust or the control of food products, they will be able to remove some of the big items of expense.

For instance: The water company charges a minimun rate. What right have they to do so? Were they not given a public franchise for nothing, made valuable only by the people they serve? Why should a person pay for more water than they consume, or if a minimum rate is charged why is not the excess in favor of the consumer charged to his credit when he consumes less than the minimum amount? On this minimum theory a saloon keeper might as well assess every patron at his bar with the price of a morning eye-opener, a mid-day appetizer, and an evening night-cap. From the liquor dealer's view-point that is about what an average drinker should consume, and certainly he has as much right to refuse to sell any person a drink unless he makes a minimum consumption contract as the water company has too refuse to serve water unless the consumer will consent to pay for so much water, whether he has occasion to use it or not.

Then there is the electric light company. They make you agree to pay for a certain amount of light whether you use it or not, but they do not give any credit for excess not used from one month to the next month. If the consumer does not use the minimum one month he is charged for it just the same. If he consums more than the minimum then next month he has to pay for the excess. The gas comany is more reasonable, and only charges for what the consumer uses, although it raised its rates some time ago. These, with short weights and measures, are the real extortions in the cost of living.

There are also others The telegraph company charges double their rates for telegrahing money, besides a commission on the amount The law prohibits a bank from committing usury. Why does it not apply to express and telegraph companies also?

By extending the powers of the State railroad commission to regulate all public utilities companies and prevent them from imposing charges out of proportion to the cost of production, eliminating all minimun. rates, regulating the weights and measures and preventing usury on the part of express and telegraph companies, the people would find that the cost of living would be materially reduced. These are real live State issues and every one of these extortions can be eliminated it the people will go after their representatives at Harrisburg this winter in a manner that will convince the lattter that the ones they serve mean buisness.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

Santa Claus is the dearest luxury the year affords.

Truth is stranger than action. because action has to stick to possibilities, while truth doesn't, according to Mark Twain.

So many men are unreasnable and argumentive that they have to loan money to keep their friends on the good side of them.

Out at Marianna they never do things by halves. One man who was winning a poker game was engaged to see his apponent rake in the jackpot, and chased him with a big knife only to eventually get his head blown off.

A man who never saw the inside of a newspaper office has no idea of the prodigious amount of real work done there every day. He likewise is ignorant of the noise a number of typewriters can make when being operated several at a time.

Appendicitis is still the most popular disease in this State. It is a troublesome stomachache that only the rich can afford.

One of the troubles of the milk of human kindness these days is that it is too often condensed.

Elinor Glyn is writing a new novel called "His Hour." She is evidently of the opinion that three weeks is entirely too long for a real snappy affair.

REMARKABLE CURES

Thankful People Tell What San Cura Ointment did for Them.

W. F. Hennings sells San Cura Ointment on the money back plan—no cure—no pay. Guaranteed to relieve immediately and permanently cure eczema, tetter, salt rheum, itching, bleeding or protruding piles, burns, cuts, bruises, old sores, pimples, boils, carbuncles, chapped hands, chilblains, festers, insect bites and poison ivy.

San Cura Ointment applied as a poultice cured a painful swelling in my groin about the size of half a lemon. It removed all pain at once." Aubry Porter, Route 2, Pleasantville, Pa.

"My face and neck were one mass of sores, doctor said I had eczema and erysipelas, I had not slept for weeks with burning itching pain. The first time I used San Cura Ointment I slept all night and in a short time I was completely cured."— Chas. Fay, Townville, Pa.

"My wife stepped on a rusty nail and ran it into her foot. San Cura Ointment drew out a poisonous brown pus and cured her promptly."—Eugene McKenize, Plum, Pa.

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Buy your dolls at Barger's. Double stamps on all Xmas goods. Dolls 25 cents to $2.50, 415 Fallowfield avenue. 107t10

Cumbersome Method of Collecting Tazes Responsible for Unnecessary Abuse of Laws

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the amount due. Mr. Frye is opposed to the abolishment of the payment of taxes as a voting qualification and believes that with a borough per capital tax the same as in the school district, and the collection of all taxes—borough, school, State and county—when they are assesed and compel every voter to produce his receipt or a duplicate thereof as a qualification for voting, not only would the standard of citizenship be raised, but each citiizen would contribute an equitable pro rata for the school privileges and public benefits he enjoys.

The present system of collecting taxes has not only debased the elections but has derived every district each year of thousnads of dollars in taxes. Many citizens not only take pride in evading the payment of taxes, but they boast of it and encourage others to do likewise. There is a crying need for reform in the collection of taxes in Pennsylvania.

FREE VACATIONS

The Pittsburg Dispatch Offers 74 Free Trips.

A rare opportunity to take an European or other magnificent trip "free" The Pittsburg Dispatch announces a vacation contest that outclasses anything of the kind ever offered. It proposes to send 74 people on trips that should appeal to many of our people. The plan is very simple. The persons are selected by a voting contest. You don't have to solicit subscriptions or collect any money. It does not cost the candidate or his friends anything, and the territory is divided so that a certain number of trips must go in different districts The contest will not officially begin for a few days, and anyone entering now will have a good opporunity to win. The trips include Europe, the West Indies, Lake and Ocean Voyages. One nice feature about the contest is that you don't have to go at any given date, but within a reasonable time after the contest is over. Also that the person receiving the largest vote gets two Europen trips enabling him to take a member of the family or a friend along.

The Dispatch contest is worth one's while considering. Nomination blanks good for 1,000 votes for a start are printed in The Dispatch daily. Now is the time to consider the matter seriously. Some one in this section stands a good show of winning if they enter now. Be sure to read the big offer in The Dispatch.

Miss Florence Jobes, of Roscoe, was a guest yesterday afternoon and last evening of Miss Margaret Stephens, of Meadow avenue.

Pianos for gifts—why not, the best are here, Woodward's, 421 McKean avenue. 112tf

Dainty Princess Dressers, beautiful designs and finshes at Woodwards—421 McKean avenue. 112tf

Your indecision is exchanged for certainty here. Gifts for men in a wide range and everything just "what he wanted." Murdock and McCarty—511 McKean avenue. 108tf

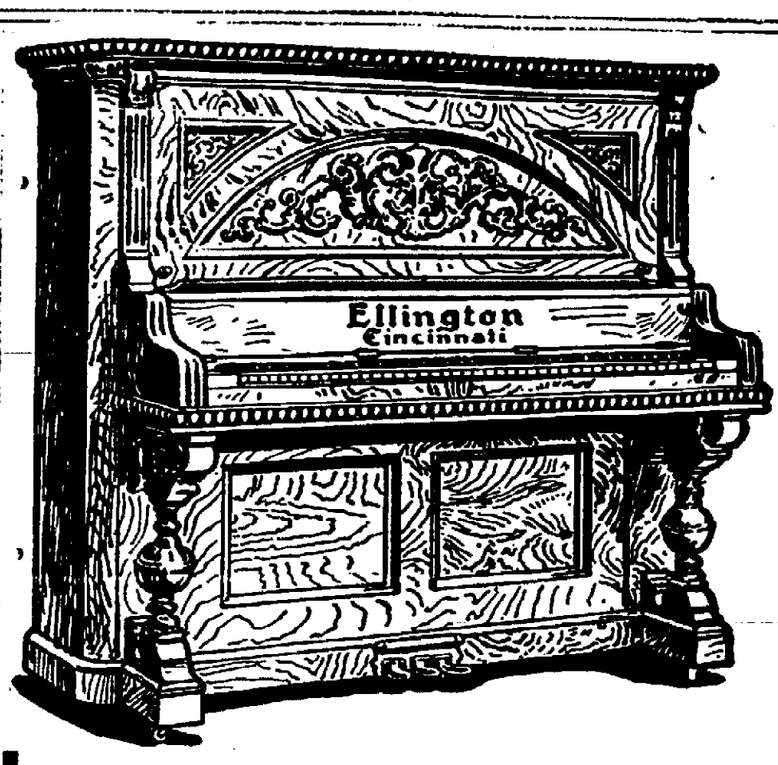
Get Christmas Gifts for Men at a Man's Store. Everything is in correct style. We will help you in your selection. Murdock and McCarty—511 McKean avenue. 108tf

Ice conditions continue in the river and many of the packets and tow boats are idle The ice is not so bad in the first five pools of the Monongahela, where the river is kept open by pool boats.

Something nice for the men: Suspenders, Hose Supporters and Arm Bands in matched sets put up in pretty gift boxes. Murdock and McCarty—151 McKean avenue. 110t8

Twenty Volume Novels.

The longest novels of today are pygmies compared with those published in the seventeenth century. Mlle. de Scudery's "Le Grand Cyrus" ran into ten volumes, its publication being spread over five years. And when it was translated, or, to quote the title page, "Englished by a Person of Honour," it appeared in five folio volumes of some 500 pages apiece. Another novelist of the same period, La Calprenede, was even more diffuse, one of his works, "Cleopatre," extending over twenty-three volumes. These novels found plenty of readers despite their enormous length. The Paris publisher of "Le Grand Cyrus" made 100,000 crowns by the first edition alone. Nearly all the works of Scudery and Calprenede were translated into English as soon as they appeared and many of them into German as well.—London Chronicle.



Pianos--the Logical Gift for Music Lovers

To a music lover—to a wife or daughter fond of music—as a final touch to round out the comfort and happiness of a home, a piano is the one requisite thing. Inspection of our line is invited. We carry only high grade instruments of superb tone and faultless workmanship, made by the most famous manufacturers and sold at prices that give full value for every dollar Sole agents in this locality for the Baldwin Mfg Co line, embracing THE BALDWIN, THE ELLINGTON, THE HAMILTON, THE HOWARD, THE VALLEY GEM, and the Bennett Mfg. Co. line embracing THE BENNETT, THE HARTZELL and THE WEDDELFIELD.

Christmas Suggestions in Furniture

What can be more suitable as a gift than an article that furnishes a happy remembrance and a useful purpose for years. Furniture fulfills these requirements. Here are a few suggestions:

Parlor Suites	China Closets	Wardrobes	Couches
Parlor Tables	Buffets	Dressers	Writing Tables
Parlor Stands	Sideboards	Slipper Chairs	Celleretts
Pictures	Brass Beds	High Chairs	Davenports
Music Benches	Child's Beds	Rockers	Kitchen Cabinets
Dining Tables	Bedroom Suites	Book Cases	Carpets
Dining Chairs	Dressing Tables	Desks	Rugs
		Morris Chairs	Ranges

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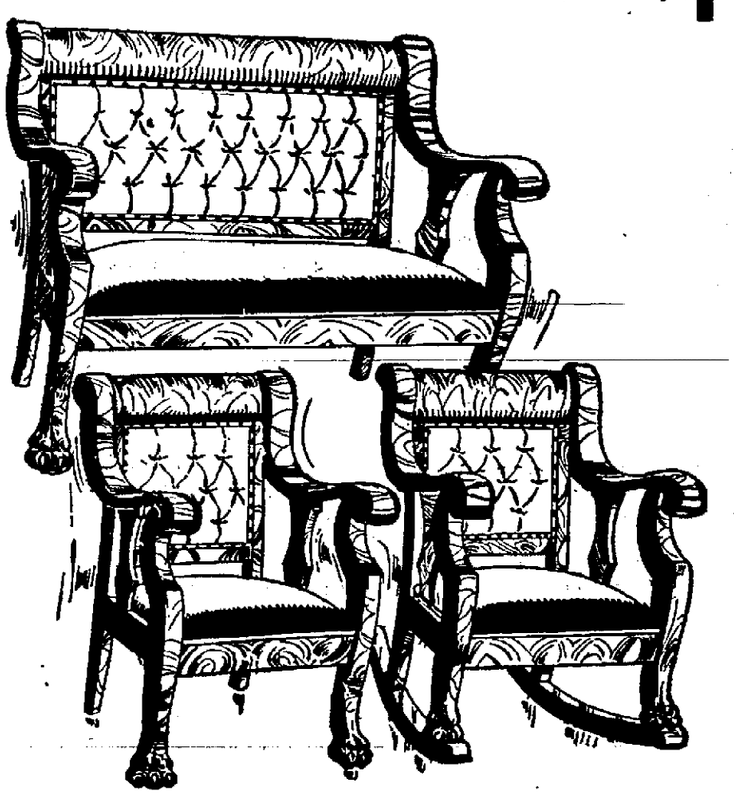

Music Cabinet to match your piano at Woodward's, 421 McKean avenue. 112tf

Square Dance

The Volunteer Firemen of North Charleroi will hold a box social in the borough hall Thursday evening, December 22. An old fashioned square dance will follow the social.

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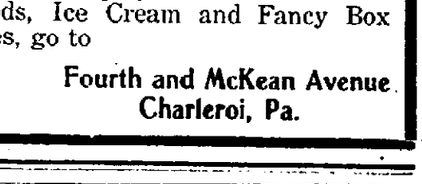

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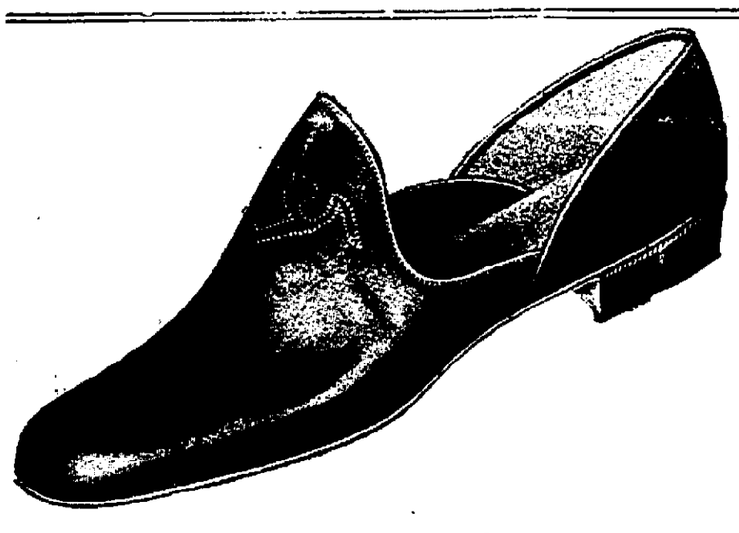

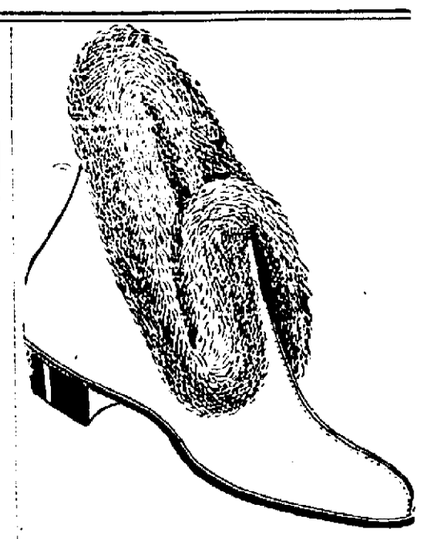

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Common Sense Shoes

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In patent colt, gunmetal, button or blucher, all sizes up to 11. Values $1.50 and 1.75, sale price 98c.

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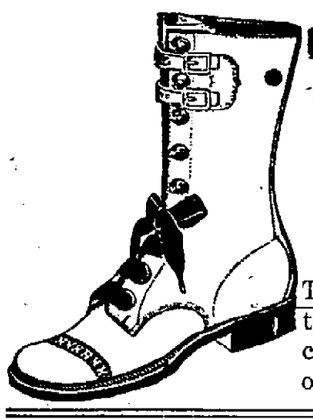

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Waterproof

$1.95

Tan and black, sizes to 13 1-2, you must come early to get in on this. $3 shoes.

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A $12.50 solid guaranteed oak rocker upholstered in genuine No 1 Leather for $9.25

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We are showing more styles of doll go-carts than all the other stores put together. They start at 49c and up to $8.50.

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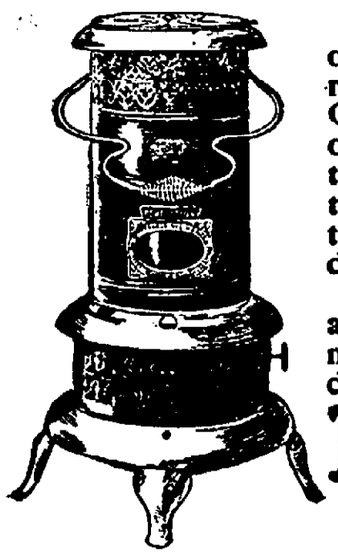

When clothes can't be hung outside, and must be dried in a room or cellar, the New Perfection Oil Heater quickly does the work of sun and air. You can hang up the wet clothes, light your Perfection Oil Heater, open the damper top, and the heat rises and quickly dries the clothes.

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$3,500	6 Rooms and Bath, Washington Avenue.
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411 Fallowfield Avenue

Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given to all the creditors of Theo. J. Allen of the Borough of Charleroi, Washington county, Penn'a, an insolvent, to make proof of their claims against the estate of said insolvent and file the same with the undersigned, Receiver, within six months from the date hereof, or be debarred from coming in upon the fund.

Charleroi Savings and Trust Co.
By
E. W. Hastings,
Asst. Sec. & Treas.
Receiver.

December 3rd, 1910.

Do It Now

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Fine Line of Choice Candies in boxes.
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For Father or Brother

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For Mother or Sister

For the ladies there are collars, belts, stick pins, belt, pins, hat pins, pearl combs, side combs, manicuring sets, brush, comb and mirror sets, scarfs, art goods, handkerchiefs, ties, brooches and hundreds of other things indispensible to the neatly dressed woman.

Then there are table linens, towels, dress goods, dress and waist patterns; and in the ready-to-wear department—coats, suits, furs, silk petticoats, lawn, linen, mull and silk waists and many other things that would bring joy in a woman's heart.

FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

We have Clothing for the whole family from grandfather down to baby, and articles which would be appreciated by the recipient. There are suits, coats and top coats for the men and boys; suits, coats, furs dresses and waists for the women and children.

Our basement is overflowing with dolls for the small children, pyrography outfits, and the stamped wood to use with them, China of all descriptions, in sets and single pieces—something for every member of the family. Then there are rugs in the carpet department, from the small door mat to the large room size rug.

Books for the Little Folks **Books for the Grown-ups.**

In addition to the above we suggest a warm muffler, a nice pair of soft warm gloves for either lady or gentleman, an umbrella, suit case or hand bag. These are gifts that are useful and always acceptable.

Do not make your selection until you have gone through our stock.

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LOCAL MENTION

Interesting News Items Condensed for Busy Readers.

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Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Corbett of McKean avenue visited relatives and friends in Duquesne Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wilderman have gone for a week's visit in Fayette county with relatives and friends.

J. M. Whitlatch spent Sunday with relatives in Verona.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dickson have moved to Charleroi from Lonaconing, Md. Mr. Dickson having accepted at positon as a clerk in the Pittsburg Steel mill at Monessen.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Entrott, Guy Moffitt and Miss Manie Moffitt attended the funeral of J A. Odbert, formerly of Charleroi, at Beallsville yesterday morning.

After being guests yesterday of Governor Miss Stuart at the executive mansion in Harrisburg. Governor elect J. K Tener left for Washington and Mrs Tener left for Pittsburg and will return home today.

"THE WOLF" A SHOW OF HEART INTEREST

The mere announcement that next Wednesday evening "The Wolf" will be presented at the Coyle Theatre will undoubtedly serve to attract an audience that will fill the house to overflowing. "The Wolf" comes here with the hearty endorsement of the critics of New York and Chicago where it enjoyed long and prosperous runs and will be rendered here with a wonderfully strong cast and elaborate stage setting, precisely the same in every detail which led to its success in the two great metropolitan cities.

The piece tells a story of life of the Hudson Bay country and introduces types of characters that any one familiar with that section will readily recognize

Important Meeting.

The Ladies Aid Society of the First Presbyterin chucrb will hold a business meeting at 2 o'clcok sharp Thursday afternoon. All members are requested to be present. 1131t

Cards of Thanks

We wish to extend our thanks to the Charleroi Volunteer Fire Department and to all citizens who helped fight the fire when our plants were destroyed last week. Through their heroic efforts much damage was averted not only to our own plants but to surrounding property. We also wish to thank the ladies who so kindly furnished the coffee to the fire fighters.

Charleroi Foundry and Machine Co.,
J. F. Donaghy, Manager.
Charleroi Automobile Company,
113t1 R. M. Smith, Manager

Scene From "The Wolf," at the Coyle Theatre Wednesday

Barger's Extra Stamp Offer

Begins Today
Good Till Xmas

1 lb. tea 60c	60 stamps
1 lb. spice, any kind 50c	60 stamps
1 bot. vanilla, 4 oz. 35c	35 stamps
1 bot. lemon, orange, or pineapple 25c	25 stamps
1 box talcum powder 25c	25 stamps
2 cans sweet corn, whole grain 25c	10 stamps
2 cans selected peas 25c	10 stamps
6 cakes tar soap 25c	25 stamps
3 cakes toilet soap 25c	25 stamps
1 pkg. starch 25c	15 stamps
3 lb. corn starch 25c	15 stamps

Deal here and fill your books before Xmas---All goods guaranteed to give satisfaction or money refunded.

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Classified Ads

LOST—Oval shaped tortoise shell belt pin with ladies' head carved on it. Set in gold rim. Finder please return to 47 Mail office. 113t4

WANTED— Solictors, General Agents and Brokers in all cities and towns of Western Pennsylvania for best new Health and Accident, Industrial Juvenile, Whole and Ordinary Life Policies on the market. Most liberal pay. Address Mr C. Meek, General Manager, Engle Bldg., Germantown, Phildelphia, Pa. 113t2p

FOR RENT—Well furnished room. Call 320-J Bell phone or 40 Fourth street. 112t2

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WANTED—Girl for general housework Inquire XX Mail office. 110tf

FOR RENT—Modern 6 room dwelling, modern flat. T. D. Williamson. 110t2p

FOR RENT—14 room house. Modern up-to-date 4 room flat, 3 room cottage. Harry W. Scott Real Estate and Insurance, Borough Building, Lock No. 4, Pa. 109t6

FOR RENT—One furnished room Apply 132 Mail office. 90tfp

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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT MAY REMOVE POLL TAX NOW COLLECTED

Cumbersome Method of Collecting Taxes Responsible for Unnecessary Abuse of Laws

CHARLEROI LOSES MONEY

Borough and School District Suffers to Extent of About $50,000 in Ten Years From Exonerations

If one of the proposed constitutional amendments which was introduced at the last session of the Legislature is passed by the coming session the payment of taxes as a qualification to vote will be removed. As the constitutional requirements now stand an elector in addition to citizenship and residence qualifications, must have within two years paid a State or county tax ot enable him to vote at an election in this State. The proposed amendment if it passes, will do away with the payment of taxes as a voting qualification and all that will be necessary is to estimate a qualification of citizenship and residence. This will in effect abolish what is known as the poll tax.

While this amendment, should it pass, will remove the payment of taxes as a voting qualification, it will not relieve the elector from the payment of taxes. The object of the amendment is to remove an abuse of the electorate franchise which has grown to large proportions, as well as an obstacle to the conduct of legal elections and a more strict compliance with the regulations. In no other instance, perhaps, are the election laws more persistently violated in Pennsylvania than by a failure to comply with the payment of taxes as a qualification to vote. In most instances these violations are involuntary, and many a voter commits a crime by voting when his taxes are unpaid who is not aware that has laid himself liable to fine or imprisonment.

The fault is in the system of collecting taxes and not through intent to violate the election laws by the voter The constitution requires that to qualify an elector to vote he must have paid a State and county tax within two years. This tax in most instances is not collected by the regular local tax collector, and many property owners who pay local taxes are under the impression that they have paid all their taxes when they settle with the local collector. The election boards have no means of knowing whether each voter has paid a State or county tax, and unless each one is challenged and made to produce a tax receipt or swear in his vote, there is no way of overcoming this difficulty. To challenge every voter is impractical and against all custom, and many illegal votes are cast unwittingly by citizens who have paid their local taxes but not their State or county tax.

One of the abuses that has grown out of this qualification is the payment of these taxes by political organizations. In every district are many non-property owners who pay no attention to their voting qualifications. It became the custom for politicans to collect these names, pay the taxes and with a receipt go after the voter on election day. Soon this class of voters depended upon the politicans to keep them qualified, and funds were collected each campaign for this purpose notwithstanding laws enacted against the practice. As a rule the politicans did not desire to do this, but when it was apparent that by the expenditure of $40 a hundred voters could be lined up, the temptation was usually too strong to be resisted. This was debasing to the civic spirit, and resulted wherever practiced in lowering the standard of citizenship.

While this amendment is designed to remove abuses relating to the election laws, it does not remove the real source of the abuses, even though it does remove the result in so far as the elections are concerned. The real cause of the abuse is the cumbersome method of collecting taxes after they have been assessed. Had there been any means for enforcing the collection of taxes as soon as they were assessed, the abuses of the voters' qualifications would not have developed. The law making the time limit 18 months before the payment of taxes can be enforced is responsible for all the evils that have risen. This fatal defect not only prompted politicians to buy citizenship for electors and debase their standard of citizenship and encourage illegal voting, but it deprives townships, boroughs and cities of thousands of dollars of taxes, the payment of which is evaded by a large class of non-property owning citizens who gravidate from place to place. These may be assessed in one district but as the collector cannot enforce payment until 18 months have elpased, the taxpayer may have disappeared entirely from the district. In the meantime he enjoys all the school privileges and civic advantages of the community and does not contribute one cent to their support This is the class which usually seek to vote illegally and which have taxes paid for them by the politicians, when they are paid at all.

As a result of this method the borough and school district of Charleroi are probably out $50,000 jointly in taxes justly due and not paid during the past ten years. This was evidenced at a recent meeting of council when the tax collector asked for exonerations for taxes assessed to 1,007 persons. This is considered an average, and will probably hold good for the past ten years at least, and the next three or four years. This means that if the borough had the $25,000 these delinquents did not pay it would be equivalent to $75,000 for paving purposes, as property holders pay two thirds of the cost, and this amount would have sufficed to pave 25 squares.

If the school board had the delinquent $25,000 it could have liquidated that amount of school bonds or built a new school house entire.

Washington has encountered the same difficulty, and recently the council of the county seat was called upon to exonerate over 2,000 persons who had been assessed, but whom the tax collector could not find or collect their taxes. This inflicts upon the county seat a loss equivalent to twice that inflicted upon Charleroi by the inability to collect taxes when they are assessed.

Councilman Chas. O. Frye, who has given the matter much thought, is of the opinion that this condition could be removed by a law compelling the collection of taxes at the time they are assessed. Such a law would authorize the assessor to call for the payment of the tax when he made the assessment and when he had the taxable located, and then, if the tax were not paid within a short time, say 30 days, the collector could invoke the aid of the constable to secure

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SECTION FORMAN CETS A REWARD

A. J. Weight Wins Acknowledgement by Well Kept Tracks

A. J. Weight, foreman of the Charleroi section, had the honor of winning the prize money of $50 for the best kept tracks and the greatest improvements during the past year on the Monongahela division P. R. R. The prize is offered annually and presented during the holiday season. Superintendent A. G. Mitchell made the presentation.

INJUNCTION IS GRANTED

Glass Company Restrained from Using Certain Process

MACBETH EVANS CLAIMS

The Macbeth Evans Glass company has been granted a preliminary injunction against Harry Schnelbach and the Jefferson Glass company to restrain them from making use of an alleged secret process of glass making used by plaintiff company. The injuction was secured in Pittsburg. Harry Schnelbeah is the former general superintendent of the Macbeth-Evans Glass company but the first of this year resigned his position to start a factory at Follanbsee, W. Va., in company with another well-known glass man.

SANTA CLAUS GIVES CANDY TO CHILDREN

For the fourth time since he embarked in busines Adolph Beigel of the Sample Shoe Store has caused Santa Claus to distribute candy to the children at his store at 502 Fallowfield avenue. Although the venerable Saint was announced to make his appearance at 3:30 o'clock for the first time yesterday afternoon, crowds of children swarmed about the premises shortly after noon, and it would have taken the Pied Piper of Hamlin to have dispersed them. Santa appeared on schedule time and distributed 800 boxes of candy among those present. Complaints were made about the children blockading the sidewalks and Adolph was cited to appear at the burgess' office last evening, but no action was taken, and Santa will appear and distribute candy at the store every day until Christmas.

In a handsomely decorated auto Santa Claus also deilvered shoes for Adolph to patrons in and out of town. The machine is handsomely decroatad with red and green vines, the work of Joseph Haube, the florist.

Notice

Sealed bids will be received by Borough Clerk for 500 feet of 2 1-2 fire hose, all bids to be in on or before January 2, 1911. Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Ira L. Nickeson,
Borough Clerk.

Charleroi, December 19, 1910 112t2

Lost

Ladies' gold watch engraved on back, D. T. K. Leather fob with K. of C. charm. Finder return to Star Theatre and recevie reward. 112t3

Boys Shirts, Coat Sweaters, Suits and Overcoats. Stylish apparel for the little fellows—same as Dad wears. Murdock and McCarty—511 McKean avenue. 110t6

OFFICERS PUT STOP TO WORK

Telephone Construction Stopped at Belle Vernon

CLAIM BOND NOT APPROVED

Effort Was Being Made to Have Service Installed by First of Year

Claiming that the bond of the Independent Telephoo- construction company had not been approved, the Belle Vernon police this morning stopped the work at Belle Vernon on the construciou of a new line which was started there Monday. Action was taken at the instance of the Belle Vernon council.

Over a year ago a franchise was granted to the Telephone Construction company to build a new line in Belle Vernon and to establish service there. A bond was subsegently filed but according to the statement of municipal authorites was never approved. Under the impression that everything had been done that was necessary, work was begun by the Construction company Monday.

According to the ordinance the franchise expires January 8 unless the service is in operation by that time. Consequenily everything possible was being done to rush the work to completion. What action will follow now is a question.

SUNKEN STEAMER IS FLOATED AT RICES LANDING

Braddock will be Overhauled and Put in Commission By Owners

The steamer Braddock of the American Steel and Wire company, which sunk at Lock No. 6 over a week ago, was floated yesterday The boat was found to be in fair conditon. It will be thoroughly overhauled and placed in commission again.

FACTORY TO CLOSE FOR ONLY ONE DAY

The Macbeth-Evans Glass plant here will be closed for only one day for Christmas, owing to the rush of trade. This will be on Monday, the day after Christmas. Good conditions prevail at the factry.

With the New York Sun

Robert Mountsier, son of A. R Mountsier, of McKean avenue, who lately returned from a trip to Europe, now has a position with the New York Sun, one of the large metropolitan newpapers. Robert is doing reporting and special work.

Have You Seen the Handkerchiefs at Kirk and Clark's.

Rare values in all linen and Shamrock lawn at 10, 15, 25 and 50 cents, all our own importation—they are prettier than any we have ever offered and that is saying a good deal. Fine line of children's, women's and men's all linen, also initial handkerchiefs here. Kirk and Clark. 112t2

Children, this is Santa Claus headquarters, all the toys at Woodward's are new, no old stock—421 McKean avenue. 112t

Handsome Buffets to complete your dining room at Woodward's, 421 McKean avenue. 112tf

Genuine Natural Holly in wreathe and loose at Haube's, 428 Fallowfield avenue. D-24

CHARLEROI TEACHERS WILL ATTEND STATE CONVENTION

SUFFERS FROM SEVERE STROKE

Senior Head of Berryman Firm is a Victim of Paralysis

J. W. Berrmyan, the head of the firm of J. W. Berryman and Son, the large dry goods merchans of Charleroi is suffering from a stroke of paralysis of his right side, which occurred Sunday. Mr. Berryman is in a bad shape but his friends hope for his recovery. His son J. D. Berryman is also seriously ill of neuralgia.

PROPERTY OWNERS IN CHARLEROI

Thirteen Hundred Persons Possess Real Estate

Real estate in Charleroi borough is owned by 1,325 persons, according to a count made from the borough assessment books this morning by Borough Clerk Ira L. Nickeson. Ownership of lots ranges any place from one up to 100 and even more, with M. J. Alexander the biggest lot holder, who possesses over 100 lots in the hill district. The McKeans are also heavy owners of property.

There are 1,527 personal taxables in the boorugh. This is about one-sixth of the entire population.

ASSESSOR MAKING HIS RETURNS TODAY

Allen S. Mansfield, assessor for the borough of Charleroi, yesterday completed the tallying of his return assessmet sheets and today took them to Washington to the county commissioner's office. It is stated that there are few important changes from last year's assessment.

Ignach Lach

Ignach Lach, 33 years old, a well-known Slavok resident of Charleroi, died yesterday morning at 10 o'clock at his home on Tenth street of pneumonia. The funeral will be held Wednesday from St. Cyril and Methodics church, the services to be conducted by Rev. Charles Trefny, and interment will be in Calvary cemetery. Lach's widow and several children survive.

Ship by Express

Christmas package, all sizes handled promptly by Adams Express Co., to all part of the world. Jesse Waggoner, Agent. 110t3

Gifts for men—Neckwear, shirts, hoisery, gloves, hats, overcoats, in the very latest designs and colors. Murdock and McCarty—511 McKean. 108tf

Educational Meeting at Harrisburgt An Event Next Week

BIG LOCAL DELEGATION

Supt. Pentz and Party of Twelve Will Represent This School District

Twelve teachers of the Charleroi schools and Superintendent James G. Pentz will represent this district at the annual convention of the State Educational association at Harrisburg five days of next week beginning Monday and lasting till Friday. The convention promises to be one of the most interesting and instructive ever held. The Charleroi representatives will be the largest along the valley.

Among the prominent educatars who will attend the convention and speak will be Cheeseman A Herrick, president of Girard college; Prof. Paul H Hanus of Harrisburg University; Martin G. Brumbaugh, superintendent of the Philadelphia schools; Fred L. Keeler, deputy State superintendent of Michigan; Samuel Hamilton, superintendent of the Allegheny county schools; Prof. Henry Suzzalo, of the Teacher's college, New York city and Dr. Isaac C. Ketler, president of Grove City college.

One of the most important matters to come up for discussion will be the proposed new school code for the State of Pennsylvania, which was framed voluntarily by the old school code commiss on after the code of 1909 had been beaten about by the State Legislature until it was in such shape that Gov. E. Stuart vetoed it.

The teachers who will go from Charleroi, besides Supt. Pentz, will be Misses Florence Montgomery, Mary Kelley, Jean Hawthorne, Elizabeth Wyatt, Harriet Wagner, Fannie Arrison, Nellie Lee, Etta M. Work, Ella Greenwood, Mary Walters, and Messrs. D. C. Williard and W. A. L Swick.

LADY MINSTRELS AT STAR THEATRE

The Lady Minstrels, an aggregation of talented women stars, are the featuring attractions at the Star Theatre this week. In the troupe the Cox Family Quintet is featured, composing Miss Violet, Miss Josie, Miss Mildred, Miss Julia, Master James, Prof. J. and Baby Cox. A fine repertoire of comicalities will be rendered.

Auction Sale

On Wednesday afternoon, Decembe 21, there will be an auction sale of furniture and household articles on the premises of the Teuer home on Crest avenue. Sale commences at 1:30 o'clock p. m.

A Big Doll for the Little Girl

We imported an usually large stock of big dolls this year in the kid body—some have real hair eye lashes and eye brows—others are full jointed. Fine selection at less than city prices from $1.75 to $6.00 for the big ones—20c up for the little ones. Kirk and Clark. 112t2

J. K. Tener, Pres. S. A. Walton, Vice Pres. R. H. Rush, Cashier.

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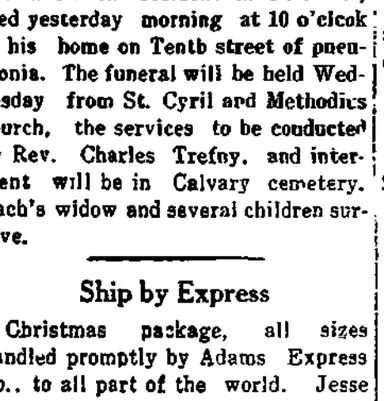

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Dec. 20 In American History.

1813—Samuel Jordan Kirkwood statesman and famous war governor of Iowa, born; died 1894

1860—South Carolina adopted the ordinance of secession

1908—Major Orlando Jay Smith, Federal veteran of the civil war, editor and philosophical writer, founder of the American Press Association, died at Dobbs Ferry, N. Y., born 1842

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

(From noon today to noon tomorrow) Sun sets 4 32, rises 7 17; moon rises 9 21 p. m.; planet Mercury visible, 6 54 a. m., moon at greatest libration west; sun's declination, 23 degrees 26 minutes, south of celestial equator.

Petty Extortion.

When the people begin to realize that the high cost of living is due more to conditions near at home than to the custom houses at sea ports, the packing houses of the meat trust or the control of food products, they will be able to remove some of the big items of expense.

For instance: The water company charges a minimun rate. What right have they to do so? Were they not given a public franchise for nothing, made valuable only by the people they serve? Why should a person pay for more water than they consume, or if a minimum rate is charged why is not the excess in favor of the consumer charged to his credit when he consumes less than the minimum amount? On this minimum theory a saloon keeper might as well assess every patron at his bar with the price of a morning eye-opener, a mid-day appetizer, and an evening night-cap. From the liquor dealer's view-point that is about what an average drinker should consume, and certainly he has as much right to refuse to sell any person a drink unless he makes a minimum consumption contract as the water company has too refuse to serve water unless the consumer will consent to pay for so much water, whether he has occasion to use it or not.

Then there is the electric light company. They make you agree to pay for a certain amount of light whether you use it or not, but they do not give any credit for excess not used from one month to the next month. If the consumer does not use the minimum one month he is charged for it just the same. If he consums more than the minimum then next month he has to pay for the excess. The gas comany is more reasonable, and only charges for what the consumer uses, although it raised its rates some time ago. These, with short weights and measures, are the real extortions in the cost of living.

There are also others The telegraph company charges couble their rates for telegraphing money, besides a commission on the amount The law prohibits a bank from committing usury. Why does it not apply to express and telegraph companies also?

By extending the powers of the State railroad commission to regulate all public utilities companies and prevent them from imposing charges out of proportion to the cost of production, eliminating all minimun. rates, regulating the weights and measures and preventing usury on the part of express and telegraph companies, the people would find that the cost of living would be materially reduced. These are real live State issues and every one of these extortions can be eliminated it the people will go after their representatives at Harrisburg this winter in a manner that will convince the lattter that the ones they serve mean buisness.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

Santa Claus is the dearest luxury the year affords.

Truth is stranger than action because action has to stick to possibilities, while truth doesn't, according to Mark Twain.

So many men are unreasonable and argumentive that they have to loan money to keep their friends on the good side of them.

Out at Marianna they never do things by halves. One man who was winning a poker game was engaged to see his apponent rake in the jackpot, and chased him with a big knife only to eventually get his head blown off.

A man who never saw the inside of a newspaper office has no idea of the prodigious amount of real work done there every day. He likewise is ignorant of the noise a number of typewriters can make when being operated several at a time.

Appendicitis is still the most popular disease in this State. It is a troublesome stomachache that only the rich can afford.

One of the troubles of the milk of human kindness these days is that it is too often condensed.

Elinor Glyn is writing a new novel called "His Hour." She is evidently of the opinion that three weeks is entirely too long for a real snappy affair.

REMARKABLE CURES

Thankful People Tell What San Cura Ointment did for Them.

W. F. Hennings sells San Cura Ointment on the money back plan—no cure—no pay. Guaranteed to relieve immediately and permanently cure eczema, tetter, salt rheum, itching, bleeding or protruding piles, burns, cuts, bruises, old sores, pimples, boils, carbuncles, chappen hands, chilblains, festers, insect bites and poison ivy.

San Cura Ointment applied as a poultice cured a painful swelling in my groin about the size of half a lemon. It removed all pain at once." Aubry Porter, Route 2, Pleasantville, Pa.

"My face and neck were one mass of sores, doctor said I had eczema and erysipelas, I had not slept for weeks with burning itching pain. The first time I used San Cura Ointment I slept all night and in a short time I was completely cured."— Chas. Fay, Townville, Pa.

"My wife stepped on a rusty nail and ran it into her foot San Cura Ointment drew out a poisonous brown pus and cured her promptly."—Eugene McKenize, Plum, Pa.

"I had been troubled with bleeding and itching piles for seven years and was entirely cured by San Cura Ointment "- J. C. Sterling, Titusville, Pa.

"I had been afflicted over 30 years with piles and had spent over $500 for pile medicine Two jars of San Cura Ointment cured me "—James Lynch Enterprise,, Pa. San Cura Ointment costs 25 and 50 cents a jar at Hennings and is the best remedy in the world for burns, scalds, cuts and bruises.

SOAP CURES PIMPLES

San Cura Soap will cure pimples, blackheads and all skin diseases. Makes the complexion clear and the skin velvet. 25 cents at W. F. Hennings.

Mail orders for San Cura Ointment and Soap filled by Thompson Medical Co., Titusville, Pa.

Correct articles in men's wear, every proper thing here for every occasion. Murdock and McCarty—511 McKean avenue. 108tf

Buy your dolls at Barger's. Double stamps on all Xmas goods. Dolls 25 cents to $2.50, 415 Fallowfield avenue. 107t10

Cumbersome Method of Collecting Tazes Responsible for Unnecessary Abuse of Laws

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the amount due. Mr. Frye is opposed to the abolishment of the payment of taxes as a voting qualification and believes that with a borough per capital tax the same as in the school district, and the collection of all taxes—borough, school, State and county—when they are assesed and compel every voter to produce his receipt or a duplicate thereof as a qualification for voting, not only would the standard of citizenship be raised, but each citiizen would contribute an equitable pro rata for the school privileges and public benefits he enjoys.

The present system of collecting taxes has not only debased the elections but has derived every district each year of thousnads of dollars in taxes. Many citizens not only take pride in evading the payment of taxes, but they boast of it and encourage others to do likewise. There is a crying need for reform in the collection of taxes in Pennsylvania.

FREE VACATIONS

The Pittsburg Dispatch Offers 74 Free Trips.

A rare opportunity to take an European or other magnificent trip "free." The Pittsburg Dispatch announces a vacation contest that outclasses anything of the kind ever offered. It proposes to send 74 people on trips that should appeal to many of our people. The plan is very simple. The persons are selected by a voting contest You don't have to solicit subscriptions or collect any money. It does not cost the candidate or his friends anything, and the territory is divided so that a certain number of trips must go in each districts The contest will not officially begin for a few days, and anyone entering now will have a good opportunity to win. The trips include Europe, the West Indies, Lake or Ocean voyages. One nice feature about the contest is that you don't have to go at any given date, but within a reasonable time after the contest is over. Also that the person receiving the largest vote gets two Europen trips enabling him to take a member of the family or a friend along.

The Dispatch contest is worth one's while considering. Nomination blanks good for 1,000 votes for a start are printed in The Dispatch daily. Now is the time to consider the matter seriously. Some one in this section stands a good show of winning if they enter now. Be sure to read the big offer in The Dispatch.

Miss Florence Jobes, of Roscoe, was a guest yesterday afternoon and last evening of Miss Margaret Stephens, of Meadow avenue.

Pianos for gifts—why not, the best are here, Woodward's, 421 McKean avenue. 112tf

Dainty Princess Dressers, beautiful designs and finshes at Woodwards—421 McKean avenue. 112tf

Your indecision is exchanged for certainty here. Gifts for men in a wide range and everything just "what he wanted." Murdock and McCarty—511 McKean avenue. 108tf

Get Christmas Gifts for Men at a Man's Store. Everything is in correct style. We will help you in your selection. Murdock and McCarty—511 McKean avenue. 108tf

Ice conditions continue in the river and many of the packets and tow boats are idle The ice is not so bad in the first five pools of the Monongahela, where the river is kept open by pool boats.

Something nice for the men: Suspenders, Hose Supporters and Arm Bands in matched sets put up in pretty gift boxes. Murdock and McCarty—151 McKean avenue. 110t8

Twenty Volume Novels.

The longest novels of today are pygmies compared with those published in the seventeenth century. Mlle. de Scudery's "Le Grand Cyrus" ran into ten volumes, its publication being spread over five years. And when it was translated, or, to quote the title page, "Englished by a Person of Honour," it appeared in five folio volumes of some 500 pages apiece. Another novelist of the same period, La Calprenede, was even more diffuse, one of his works, "Cleopatre," extending over twenty-three volumes. These novels found plenty of readers despite their enormous length. The Paris publisher of "Le Grand Cyrus" made 100,000 crowns by the first edition alone. Nearly all the works of Scudery and Calprenede were translated into English as soon as they appeared and many of them into German as well.—London Chronicle.

Pianos--the Logical Gift for Music Lovers

To a music lover—to a wife or daughter fond of music—as a final touch to round out the comfort and happiness of a home, a piano is the one requisite thing Inspection of our line is invited. We carry only high grade instruments of superb tone and faultless workmanship, made by the most famous manufacturers and sold at prices that give full value for every dollar Sole agents in this locality for the Baldwin Mfg Co line, embracing THE BALDWIN, THE ELLINGTON, THE HAMILTON, THE HOWARD THE VALLEY GEM, and the Bennett Mfg. Co. line embracing THE BENNETT, THE HARTZELL and THE WEDDELFIELD.

Christmas Suggestions in Furniture

What can be more suitable a Xmas gift than an article that furnishes a happy remembrance and a useful purpose for years. Furniture fulfills these requirements. Here are a few suggestions.

Parlor Suites	China Closets	Wardrobes	Couches
Parlor Tables	Buffets	Dressers	Writing Tables
Parlor Stands	Sideboards	Slipper Chairs	Celleretts
Pictures	Brass Beds	High Chairs	Davenports
Music Benches	Child's Beds	Rockers	Kitchen Cabinets
Dining Tables	Bedroom Suites	Book Cases	Carpets
Dining Chairs	Dressing Tables	Desks	Rugs
		Morris Chairs	Ranges

Toys Here Too For the little ones we have a Full Line of Toys. Everything New and bought this year. No old stock. Come in and see.

Woodward's

The Big House Furnishing Store

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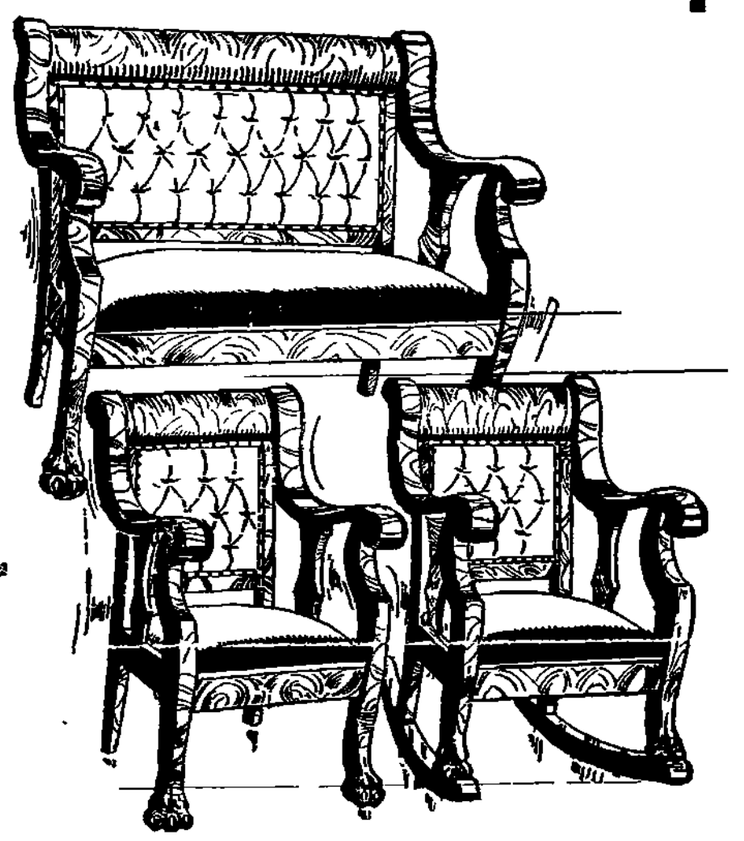

Music Cabinet to match your piano at Woodward's, 421 McKean avenue. 112tf

Square Dance

The Volunteer Firemen of North Charleroi will hold a box social in the borough hall Thursday evening, December 22. An old fashioned square dance will follow the social

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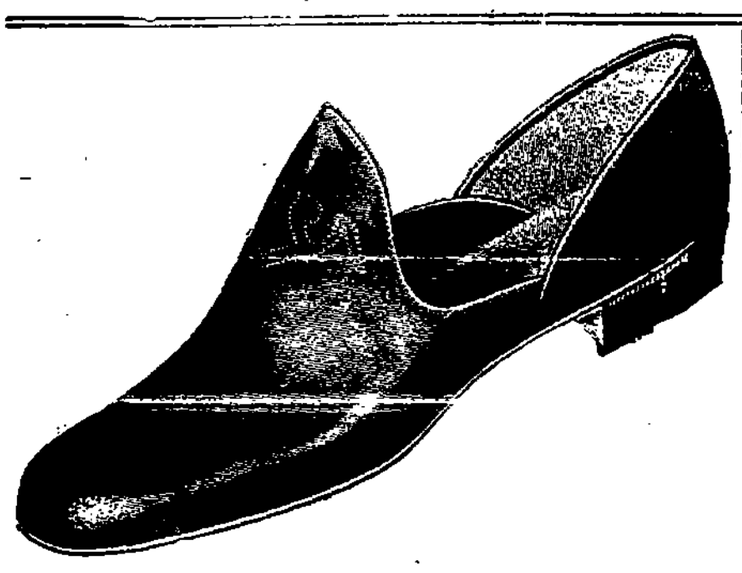
Christmas Proclamation!

This store will be your Santa Claus. We handle shoes for every member of the family; shoes for every kind of weather. We are getting our share of public patronage, indeed we have the real holiday fever, on account of the remarkable success that has been our lot since we opened the store. It's our turn to repricocate—the saving we afford you at this great sale, on any pair of shoes in the house means

Money in your Pocket for Christmas



Comfort for Men.

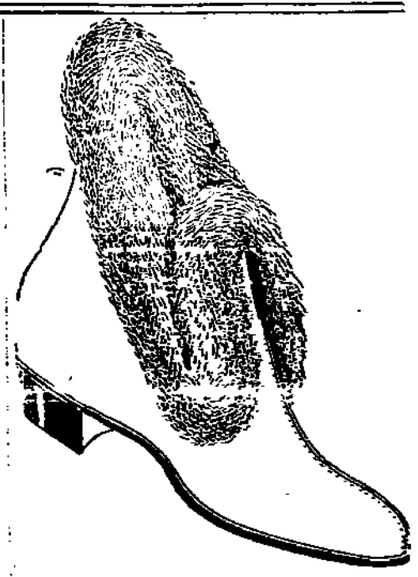
Romeos, Black or Tan, turn and heavy soles. Just the thing to give Father, Husband or Brother. Values $3 to $1.50. Sale prices, 1.69, 1.24 and 98c

Jockey Boots

An item of special interest, these ever popular boots are here in all sizes for women and misses, extra high cut. Gun metal or patent colt, red, tan or black tops; other stores sell them at $4, 3.50, $3 and 2.50—at our two day special sale, your choice at $2.45, 1.95, 1.69 and 1.24.

Men's Arctics

Heavy wool lined arctics, regular 1.25 values, special for two days only, 95c.



Ladies' Juliets

An unequaled holiday gift at prices that anyone can afford. Fur lined, all colors and all sizes for women and misses, values 3.50 to 1.50, sale prices 1.69, 1.24, 98c and 69c.

Common Sense Shoes

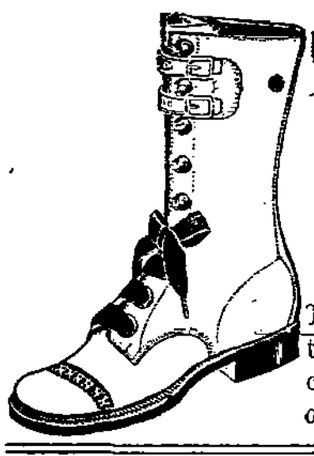
for ladies in patent colt, gun metal or tan, button or blucher. Kid and cloth tops, all sizes, $3 values, specially priced for this sale at 1.98.

Boys' and Girls' Shoes

In patent colt, gunmetal, button or blucher, all sizes up to 11. Values $1.50 and 1.75, sale price 98c.

Ladies' Dress Shoes

Satin, velvet, cravenette and suede top shoes, short vamp, high heels, very dressy, usual price range $6 to $4, for this sale we say $3.45, 2.95 and 2.45.



Boys' High Top Shoes

Waterproof

$1.95

Tan and black, sizes to 13 1-2, you must come early to get in on this. $3 shoes.

Men's Dress Shoes

The very latest styles including the new knob toe, extra high arch, strictly bench made. Patent colt, tan, gunmetal and oxblood; all sizes and widths, blucher and button, made to sell for $5 and $6, now 3.45, 2.95, 2.45, 2.24.

Men's Waterproof Shoes—in black, tan and oxblood, made specially for stormy days and sloppy streets. These shoes sell elsewhere at $3.50 to $6, extra special price $2.69.

Greatest Slipper Sale Ever Held in Charleroi

All sizes, all styles, for every member of the family, an opportunity that will never be duplicated to get holiday slippers at manufacturers' prices. Values 50 per cent in excess of these special prices—1.69, 1.24, 98c, 79c and 39c.

95c Felt Slippers, heavy soles, all sizes, 29c.

Sample Shoe Store

Adolph Beigel

502 Fallowfield Ave., Charleroi, Pa.

WHAT ABOUT THAT GIFT

that you have had in your mind? Do not wait until Saturday, but come today while THE BIG NEW STORE is full of the most practical gifts that can be given, and best of all, we can fit your pocketbook.

Special for This Week:

A $12.50 solid guaranteed oak rocker upholstered in genuine No 1 Leather for **$9.25**

Over a hundred styles of other rockers from $1.50 to $55.00.

We are showing more styles of doll go-carts than all the other stores put together. They start at 49c and up to $8.50.

Our 1.50, 2.50 and 3.50 carts are world beaters.

Our line of library tables is the largest ever shown in town. All finishes, all sizes and all prices. They are always appreciated.

Stands from 75c to $27.50.

Gas and Electric Lamps from $3.75 to $25.00.

Pictures from 10c up.

Cut glass, brass goods and fancy china at prices that will close them out quick.

Come early while the selection is good and our sales force can better wait on you. All goods stored until Xmas.

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Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Corbett of McKean avenue visited relatives and friends in Duquesne Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wilderman have gone for a week's visit in Fayette county with relatives and friends.

J. M. Whitlatch spent Sunday with relatives in Verona.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dickson have moved to Charleroi from Lonaconing, Md., Mr. Dickson having accepted at positon as a clerk in the Pittsburg Steel mill at Monessen.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Entrott, Guy Moffitt and Miss Manie Moffitt attended the funeral of J. A. Odbert, formerly of Charleroi, at Beallsville yesterday morning.

After being guests yesterday of Governor Miss Stuart at the executive mansion in Harrisburg, Governor elect J. K. Tener left for Washington and Mrs. Tener left for Pittsburg and will return home today.

"THE WOLF" A SHOW OF HEART INTEREST

The mere announcement that next Wednesday evening "The Wolf" will be presented at the Coyle Theatre will undoubtedly serve to attract an audience that will fill the house to overflowing. "The Wolf" comes here with the hearty endorsement of the critics of New York and Chicago where it enjoyed long and prosperous runs and will be rendered here with a wonderfully strong cast and elaborate stage setting, precisely the same in every detail which led to its success in the two great metropolitan cities.

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Scene From "The Wolf," at the Coyle Theatre Wednesday

Important Meeting.

The Ladies Aid Society of the First Presbyterin church will hold a business meeting at 2 o'clock sharp Thursday afternoon. All members are requested to be present. 113lt

Cards of Thanks

We wish to extend our thanks to the Charleroi Volunteer Fire Department and to all citizens who helped fight the fire when our plants were destroyed last week. Through their heroic efforts much damage was averted not only to our own plants but to surrounding property. We also wish to thank the ladies who so kindly furnished the coffee to the fire fighters.

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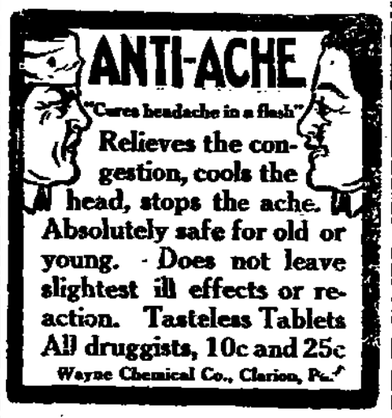

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